

WESTERN WESTMORELAND MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MONTHLY AND ANNUAL REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – FEBRUARY 19, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Western Westmoreland Municipal Authority held a regular monthly and annual reorganizational meeting on Thursday, February 19, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. in the Authority conference room, duly advertised, as required, and with the following people in attendance:

1. Roll Call:

Board Members in Attendance:

Mr. Kurt Bonnet	Mr. Charles Konkus	Ms. Lisa Kovac
Mr. Joseph Lapia	Mr. Antonio Lio	Mr. Dylan Mace
Mr. JP McHugh		

Absent:

Mr. Stanley Caroline, Jr.	Mr. Bob Regola	Mr. Shawn Stitely
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Others in Attendance:

Mr. Matthew Racunas, Solicitor
Mr. Chad Hanley, Consulting Engineer
Ms. Amanda Lee, Consulting Engineer
Mr. Stanley A. Gorski, Jr., Authority Manager
Mrs. Johanna Wtorkowski, Finance Director and
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer/Recording Secretary

2. Due to Mr. Caroline's absence, Mr. Mace chaired the meeting. Mr. Mace led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Annual Reorganization:

A. Appointment of Officers:

Mr. Mace turned the meeting over to Solicitor Matthew Racunas for the annual reorganization.

1. Nomination of Chairman/Chairwoman:

Mr. Racunas called for nominations for the office of Chairman. A motion to appoint Mr. Caroline as Chairman was made by Mr. Lapia and seconded by Ms. Kovac. The motion to appoint Mr. Caroline as Chairman passed unanimously.

2. Nomination of Vice-Chairman/Vice-Chairwoman:

Mr. Racunas Caroline called for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman. A motion to appoint Mr. Mace as Vice-Chairman was made by Mr. Konkus and seconded by Mr. Bonnet. The motion to appoint Mr. Mace as Vice-Chairman passed unanimously.

Mr. Racunas turned to meeting over to Vice-Chairman Mace.

3. Nomination of Secretary:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for the office of Secretary. A motion to appoint Mr. Lapia as Secretary was made by Mr. Konkus and seconded by Mr. McHugh. The motion to appoint Mr. Lapia as Secretary passed unanimously.

4. Nomination of Treasurer:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for the office of Treasurer. A motion to appoint Ms. Kovac as Treasurer was made by Mr. Konkus and seconded by Mr. Lapia. The motion to appoint Ms. Kovac as Treasurer passed unanimously.

5. Nomination of Assistant Secretary-Treasurer:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for the office of Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, a non-voting office. A motion to appoint Mrs. Wtorkowski as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer was made by Ms. Kovac and seconded by Mr. McHugh. The motion to appoint Mrs. Wtorkowski as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer passed unanimously.

Mrs. Wtorkowski thanked for Board for the appointment.

B. Appointment of Solicitor:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for appointment of Solicitor. A motion to appoint Racunas Law Group, LLC, as Solicitor was made by made by Mr. Lapia, and seconded by Mr. Konkus. The motion to appoint Racunas Law Group, LLC, as Solicitor passed unanimously.

Mr. Racunas thanked the Board for the appointment.

C. Appointment of Consulting Engineer:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for appointment of Consulting Engineer. A motion to appoint Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. (HRG) as Consulting Engineer and authorize the Authority Manager to sign the Engineering Services Contract on behalf of the Authority was made by Mr. Lapia and seconded by Ms. Kovac. The motion to appoint HRG as Consulting Engineer and authorize the Authority Manager to sign the Engineering Services Contract on behalf of the Authority, passed unanimously.

Mr. Hanley thanked the Board for the appointment.

D. Appointment of Auditor:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for the appointment of Auditor. A motion to appoint Opst & Associates, LLC, as Auditor was made by Mr. Konkus, and seconded by Ms. Kovac. The motion to appoint Opst & Associates as Auditor passed unanimously.

E. Appointment of Trustee:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for appointment of Trustee. A motion to appoint U.S. Bank as Trustee was made by Ms. Kovac and seconded by Mr. McHugh. The motion to appoint U.S. Bank as Trustee passed unanimously.

F. Appointment of Bond Counsel:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for appointment of Bond Counsel. A motion to appoint Clark Hill PLC, as Bond Counsel, was made by Mr. Lapia, and seconded by Mr. Lio. The motion to appoint Clark Hill PLC as Bond Counsel passed unanimously.

G. Appointment of Financial Advisor:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for appointment of Financial Advisor. A motion to appoint Commonwealth Investment Management as Financial Advisor was made by Ms. Kovac and seconded by Mr. Lapia. The motion to appoint Commonwealth Investment Management as Financial Advisor passed unanimously.

H. Appointment of Depositary:

Mr. Mace called for nominations for appointment of Depositary. A motion to appoint First National Bank as Depositary was made by Mr. Konkus and seconded by Mr. Lio. The motion to appoint First National Bank as Depositary passed unanimously.

I. Appointment of Committee Members:

Due to Mr. Caroline's absence, a motion to table action until next month's meeting was made by Mr. Lapia and seconded by Mr. Lio. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Comments: None

5. Communications:

Mrs. Wtorkowski reminded those in attendance that the Pennsylvania State Ethics Statement of Financial Interests is due by May 1, 2026.

6. Secretary's Report: Joseph Lapia:

A. Mr. Lapia requested the approval of the minutes for the regular meeting of January 15, 2026, as presented. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Bonnet and seconded by Mr. Lio. The motion passed unanimously.

This concluded the Secretary's Report.

7. Treasurer's Report: Lisa Kovac:

Ms. Kovac requested approval of the following requisition:

A. Revenue Fund Requisition No. 476: \$388,922.09: A motion to approve was made by Mr. Lio and seconded by Mr. McHugh. The motion passed unanimously.

This concluded the Treasurer's report.

8. Authority Manager's Report – Stanley Gorski, Jr.:

A. Mr. Gorski reported that there were no NPDES violations for January. There were no plant by-passes during January. Average plant flow was 2.86 mgd. Maximum flow was 3.66 million gallons. Rainfall was 1.09" for January.

B. Mr. Gorski requested the approval of the purchase of two boilers for Digester Nos. 1 and 2, from Combustion Service & Equipment, at a COSTARS price of \$410,000.00. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Lio and seconded by Mr. Lapia. The motion passed unanimously.

C. General Update:

1. WWTP Disinfection Improvements-Sodium Hypochlorite Project:

Mr. Gorski reported that the estimated costs for the conversion from chlorine disinfection to sodium hypochlorite disinfection have risen to a point where he no longer recommends proceeding with the project. Mr. Gorski stated that he would prefer to apply the budgeted funds to replace the frost sprayers for the aeration tanks. Mr. Gorski will consider ultraviolet (UV) disinfection options, as well. Mr. Gorski stated that there are safety procedures in place, and the Authority will continue with safety training. Ms. Lee will be requesting authorization to cancel the project during her report.

2. Mr. Gorski reported that newly hired maintenance employee Cody Kenrick is doing well. Mr. Gorski reported that Mr. Kenrick just passed his permit for a commercial driver's license (CDL).

3. Mr. Gorski reported that he is looking into buying a large tank and mixer for the magnesium hydroxide system, rather than continuing to rent the equipment. In the interim, Mr. Gorski will be renting a second storage tank and mixer to house the magnesium hydroxide. This will eliminate the need to transfer the magnesium hydroxide from smaller totes into the mixer. Mr. Gorski stated that the Authority will request approval from the PaDEP to decommission the Grit Building. Mr. Gorski stated that the grit removal system is no longer required, as the new screening equipment does an excellent job of collecting grit and debris. Once the Authority receives approval, Mr. Gorski will move forward with the purchase of the tank and mixer. A brief discussion followed.

4. Mr. Gorski reported that the Authority's financial advisor Robert Fisher contacted Mr. John Rogers, the actuary who completed the arbitrage rebate calculation. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Rogers agreed that an interpretation of a certain investment could be reclassified, and as a result, there is no arbitrage liability.

5. Mr. Gorski reported that the following developments are in the planning stages:

- a. Rhodin Plan, North Huntingdon Township (behind Altman Farms): 49 EDUs
- b. Tuscan Hills Plan, North Huntingdon Township: 57 EDUs
- c. Sunset Ridge (Pecora Farm), Penn Township: 264 EDUs
- d. Traditions of America, Penn Township: 221 EDUs

6. LSA Process Control Improvements Project:

- a. Mr. Gorski reported that HRG has submitted an extension request letter for the LSA Grant.

This concluded the Authority Manager's report.

9. Consulting Engineer: Amanda Lee, HRG:

A. Monthly Update:

1. HRG is working on the annual Chapter 94 report.
2. HRG met with Mr. Gorski for the bi-monthly progress meeting.
3. HRG completed the planning module review for the Traditions of America Plan.
4. HRG's GIS department is working on mapping interceptor lines for the Authority.
5. LSA Process Control Improvements Project:
 - a. The agreement has been signed. The contractor will begin sending submittals. Once the submittals are approved, the contractor will order equipment.

- b. The original grant deadline was June 30, 2026. An extension was submitted for the LSA Grant. Ms. Lee stated that a grant extension agreement should be received soon. Mr. Caroline and Mr. Gorski will sign the extension agreement. Mr. Hanley stated that the majority of the grant funds should be expended prior to the original deadline, but HRG submitted an extension request through the end of the project period.
- 6. WWTP Rerate:
 - a. HRG has completed the planning module but is reviewing data to ensure that 4.8 mgd is still the number that the Authority is looking for.
- 7. WWTP Disinfection-Sodium Hypochlorite Project:
 - a. Ms. Lee requested Board approval to cancel the WWTP Disinfection-Sodium Hypochlorite Project. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Konkus and seconded by Ms. Kovac. The motion passed unanimously.

This concluded Ms. Lee's report. The complete report is attached to these minutes.

10. Solicitor's Report – Matt Racunas:

Mr. Racunas stated that he has prepared the policy related to Authority employees serving on the WWMA Board. The policy will be distributed to members of the Personnel Committee for their review. Mr. Racunas provided a summary of issues that are included in the policy. A discussion followed. A motion to table the approval of the policy regarding Authority employees who serve as Authority Board Members was made by Mr. Lapia and seconded by Mr. McHugh. The motion passed unanimously.

This concluded the Solicitor's Report.

11. Reports of Committees:

A. Personnel Committee: Joseph Lapia

- 1. A motion was made by Ms. Kovac and seconded by Mr. Lio to approve the promotion of Robert D. Vijuk to the position of Plant Operator, in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement, effective February 23, 2026. Mr. Lapia asked if Mr. Vijuk would receive Plant Operator wages. Mr. Gorski stated that Mr. Vijuk will receive the Plant Operator rate beginning February 23, 2026. Mr. Gorski stated that four Authority employees may be classified as Plant Operator, including the Chief Operator, the Assistant Chief Operator, and two other employees. Mr. Vijuk will be the fourth Plant Operator. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Finance and Budget Committee: Lisa Kovac:

- 1. Ms. Kovac requested approval of investments listed under Agenda Items 11B (1) (a), 11B (1) (b), and 11B (1) (c):
 - a. Authorize the purchase of a Capital Improvement Fund one-month United States Treasury Bill, in the amount of \$3,400,000.00, *and*
 - b. Authorize the purchase of a Capital Improvement Fund three-month United States Treasury Bill, in the amount of \$3,500,000.00, *and*
 - c. Authorize the redemption of a portion of Debt Service Reserve Fund (DSRF), U.S. Treasury Demand Deposit Securities, State and Local Government Series (DD SLGS), while retaining the principal amount of \$2,175,262.50 in DD SLGS, authorize the transfer of the amount redeemed to the Debt Service Fund, and authorize the

Board Chairman to sign the letter to U.S. Bank directing the Trustee to execute the aforementioned redemption and transfer of said DD SLGS.

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Konkus and seconded by Mr. Lapia. The motion passed unanimously.

This concluded the Finance and Budget Committee report.

C. Legal and Engineering Services Committee: Kurt Bonnet: There was no report.

12. Requisitions:

Mr. Mace requested Board approval of the following Requisition:

- A. Approve Capital Improvement Fund Requisition No. 141, in the amount of \$8,234.00: A motion to approve was made by Ms. Kovac and seconded by Mr. Lio. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Board Member Comments:

14. Old Business: None

15. New Business: None

16. Executive Session: None

17. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Lapia and seconded by Ms. Kovac. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 P.M.

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Board Chairman to sign the letter to U.S. Bank directing the Trustee to execute the aforementioned redemption and transfer of said DD SLGS.

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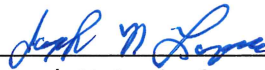
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CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT

WESTERN WESTMORELAND MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Attn: Mr. Stanley A. Gorski, Jr., Authority Manager
Report Period: January 2026
HRG Project Number: R008234.0426
Prepared: February 12, 2026



February 19, 2026 Authority Meeting

RETAINER SERVICES (.0426)

- HRG attended the January Board Meeting and shall attend the February Board Meeting.
- HRG worked with Authority Staff to finalize the Annual Report. Two hard copies were provided at the January Board Meeting.
- HRG certified the semi-annual revenue fund transfer on January 12th.
- HRG prepared and provided the 2025 Q4 Tap Fee Calculation to Authority Staff.
- HRG started preparing the Chapter 94 Wasteload Management report that is due to DEP by March 31st.

GENERAL SERVICES (.0427)

- HRG provided a cost estimate (capital cost and annual operation and maintenance cost) for an H₂S Siloxane and Moisture Cleanup System. Based on a discussion between HRG and WWMA, WWMA decided to pursue replacement of the boiler system in kind via COSTARS in 2026. WWMA also plans to fix current gas flow meters to measure digester gas volumes, install natural gas flow meters, and contract a yearly maintenance program.
- The bi-monthly project status meeting with staff was held on January 21st. The next meeting is scheduled for March 25th.

PLANNING MODULE REVIEWS (.0428)

- HRG provided a planning module review for the Traditions of America Penn Township development.

WWTP PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS (.0430)

WWTP Evaluation Study

- No activity this month.

GIS SERVICES (.0431)

- HRG conducted a project kick-off meeting with WWMA on January 20th to begin GIS services. HRG assisted WWMA in setting up the ArcGIS on-line license and began adding sanitary features from WWMA record drawings.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS (.0432)

Phase 04: Primary Clarifier Equipment Replacement

- HRG performed a LIDAR scan of the first primary clarifier tank on July 23rd and after WWMA switched the tanks, HRG scanned the second tank on August 7th. Both files have been shared with Xylem.
- A proposal has been received from Kappe for the scoped Xylem equipment. HRG will review and request revisions to the proposal as necessary.
- HRG will continue to be involved with project scope and planning; it is anticipated that the project will take place in 2026.

WWTP DISINFECTION IMPROVEMENTS: SODIUM HYPO (.0434)

- HRG provided updated general and electrical drawings to McClure. McClure provided a construction proposal on December 18, 2025. HRG reviewed the proposal.
- On January 5th, a meeting was held with HRG, WWMA, McClure, and Rossell Automation to discuss project scope and timeline. McClure will submit a revised proposal based on the discussions.
- McClure provided a revised proposal on January 13th.

LSA – PROCESS CONTROL IMPROVEMENTS (.0435)

- A site visit was held on November 3rd with HRG, WWMA, Kappe, Lone Pine, and NextGen to investigate current conditions of the electrical and controls systems and to finalize scope for the proposal.
- Kappe has submitted a revised proposal based on the discussions and site visit. It is anticipated that the revised proposal will be executed by WWMA shortly. Following execution, the submittal process can begin.
- HRG will prepare a letter to the PA Department of Community & Economic Development requesting an extension to the LSA grant funds agreement.

PTSA SERVICE AREA EXPANSION (.0436)

- No current updates; previously:
 - The PTSA Service Area Extension Agreement was approved at the July Board Meeting. HRG will review project documents from PTSA as they are received.
 - HRG assisted WWMA with the preparation of a letter of support for PTSA's LSA Grant Application.

WWTP RERATE PLANNING AND PERMITTING (.0439)

- HRG communicated with DEP to obtain an abbreviated list of requirements for the Component 3m planning module as this project does not involve any construction. HRG has commenced work on the planning module. Additionally, early work on the Water Quality Management Permit Application has begun as well.

SYSTEM INTEGRATION SERVICES (.0440)

Phase 01: LSA Project

- HRG prepared I/O list for project and coordinated with contractor, suppliers, and Rossell Automation.

Phase 02: Disinfection Project

- HRG prepared I/O list for project and RTU 3 programming review.

END OF ENGINEER'S RETAINER SERVICES AND ACTIVE PROJECTS REPORT

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c: Ms. Johanna Wtorkowski
Mr. Mark Wolinsky